IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Ashwin Anil Gumaste et al.

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Christina Y. Leung

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Optical Ring Network with Optical Subnets and Method

MAIL STOP: Amendments Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Response Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action electronically sent May 27, 2008, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following remarks.